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VIRGINIA:

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF NEWPORT NEWS

JONES, BLECHMAN, WOLTZ & KELLY,

Plaintiff,

v.

NIKOLAI I. SINKINE,

Defendant.

AT LAW NO.
CL0801064V-04

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

Newport News, Virginia

September 29, 2009

Before: THE HONORABLE H. VINCENT CONWAY, JR., JUDGE

Appearances:

QUADROS & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

By: PAUL ROBERT QUADROS, ESQUIRE
Counsel for the Plaintiff

Also Present: Tatyana A. Babakaeva

1 (Whereupon, the proceedings commenced
2 at 11:35 a.m.)

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4 THE COURT: Good morning, counsel, party --

5 MR. QUADROS: Good morning.

6 THE COURT: -- or proposed party.

7 Where is your former husband this morning?

8 MS. BABAKAEVA: (Indicating.)

9 I guess it's my motion.

10 THE COURT: I guess what?

11 MS. BABAKAEVA: I guess this is my motion.

12 THE COURT: This is your motion.

13 MS. BABAKAEVA: Uh-huh.

14 THE COURT: All right. Let me talk to you
15 a little bit. You may have a seat.

16 MS. BABAKAEVA: Thank you.

17 THE COURT: Mr. Quadros knows all about
18 this through paperwork, but this Court initially became
19 involved in this matter in an attachment action or a
20 charge for a lien. That was the first matter filed in
21 this court. And the Court determined to recognize the
22 lien as to Mr. Sinkine's interest. The problem was, if
23 you look at the transcript, and for once I can read my
24 own language and recognize it, the Court said that, "We
25 recognize the lien, but that doesn't tell us anything

1 until we determine the property interests." And at
2 that time the Court suggested a number of things; a
3 settlement conference, on and on, and finally asked
4 Mr. Bacon if he could approach the Hampton Circuit
5 Court and request that they, who had not determined the
6 property interests but had entered a divorce -- if they
7 would transfer the matter to this court and the Court
8 would then determine the property interests and
9 determine if the lien made any sense. The Court also
10 allowed Mrs. Bevelakwa --

11 MS. BABAKAEVA: Babakaeva.

12 THE COURT: Let me see, make sure I've got
13 that right here.

14 MS. BABAKAEVA: Okay.

15 THE COURT: Babakaeva?

16 MS. BABAKAEVA: Uh-huh.

17 THE COURT: Thank you.

18 -- to become a party in the case because
19 the Court recognized that her position was, and it may
20 be supported by the evidence, that she had the interest
21 in the funds, that her husband had none. And so we
22 went back and forth. And then Mr. Bacon advised me
23 that the matter had been removed to the federal
24 district court.

25 I believe now I have a note it's gone to

1 clerk of court just said -- I mean --

2 THE COURT: Clerk of court sent you up
3 here. I understand all that confusion. My question
4 is, he's the defendant. You are not. You have no
5 right to represent him.

6 MS. BABAKAEVA: I know. I'm not going to
7 represent him.

8 THE COURT: All right. Where is he, asking
9 this Court for a jury trial, if he is? You don't know,
10 right?

11 MS. BABAKAEVA: He's working. I don't.
12 He's working very, very hard, so -- I mean, he --

13 THE COURT: Mr. Quadros, tell me if I'm
14 wrong. Isn't this a suit just for money?

15 MR. QUADROS: Correct, Your Honor.

16 THE COURT: You don't even ask about
17 sources in here. There's an issue, of course, that he
18 said in some letter that it would be paid from here,
19 but you don't care where it's paid from, your issue is
20 whether one dollar is due, 31,000, 9,000 or 15?

21 MR. QUADROS: That's correct, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Now, in the other suit, ma'am,
23 in which you had an interest, on page 14 of the
24 transcript I said to you, beginning with the second
25 paragraph, "The Court has heard divorce cases and

1 decided property matters and, to summarize, sometimes
2 when we get close to the issue of attorney's fees
3 citizens feel uncomfortable when a local judge hears
4 the matter and those attorneys appear before the
5 Court" --

6 MS. BABAKAEVA: I remember.

7 THE COURT: -- that I was not aware of any
8 reason that I could not decide the property interests
9 or the validity of the lien, but I asked you to let me
10 know if there was a concern that you had and, if so, we
11 would have to get another judge to hear it. On the
12 bottom of page 15, you said -- Babakaeva, right?

13 MS. BABAKAEVA: Uh-huh.

14 THE COURT: -- "No, I don't think it would
15 be necessary."

16 MS. BABAKAEVA: (Moves head up and down.)

17 THE COURT: I was not talking to your
18 former husband. I was talking to you.

19 MS. BABAKAEVA: (Moves head up and down.)

20 THE COURT: Now he is being sued directly
21 in a matter of attorney's fees before this Court and,
22 as I have indicated, I don't think you have any
23 interest in that.

24 The nature of the attorney-client contract,
25 representing an opposing party would disqualify you

1 from having any interest anymore than he has an
2 interest in any dispute that you would have with a
3 former attorney. My question is -- and sometimes you
4 can't help being part of the problem, I guess -- when
5 an amount is due allegedly to Jones, Blechman, Woltz &
6 Kelly against a pro se defendant who on writing has
7 demanded a jury trial but is not in court, does it look
8 improper for this Court to hear that issue sitting
9 without a jury or even a jury trial to make rulings on
10 any possible expert evidence that may be offered?

11 Normally, this Court, the Circuit Court,
12 declines to hear matters involving direct attorney's
13 fees' claims by attorneys who appear in court. Some
14 judges in the Circuit Court are adamant about that.
15 I'm not until I talk to the parties because nine times
16 out of ten they're resolved before we get to the
17 hearing stage and to get another judge involved just
18 extends the whole process.

19 My concern, Mr. Quadros, in this case is
20 attorney's fees are being requested by a firm that I
21 was a member of from '95 to '99 in a situation in which
22 apparently everything becomes a conflict. I do not
23 have Mr. Sinkine here to even talk to to waive that as
24 his former wife did on the property issue.

25 I am of the opinion the Court should